<u>REMARKS</u>

This is a divisional application of Application No. 09/696,000, filed October 26, 2000, hereinafter ("the '000 application").

Claims 2, 3, 5 and 10-21 are currently pending in the application, with Claims 5 and 11 being the independent claims. Claims 2, 3, 5 and 10-20 are amended herein to improve their form without narrowing their scope, in substantially the same way that they were amended in the '000 application. Claim 21 is newly added and Claims 1, 4, and 6-9 are cancelled herein without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. The specification is amended herein to set forth the continuing lineage data for the present application, and to incorporate the amendments made in the '000 application.

Claims 10-18 and Claims 19 and 20 to the extent they depend from any of Claims 10-18 were subject to an election of species requirement in the '000 parent application and subsequently withdrawn from consideration.

It is submitted that no new matter has been added by the amendments herein.

Consideration and an early allowance are respectfully solicited.

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